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ET, ETHIOPIA. ET3YU was reported on January 22nd at 1445z on 14025 kHz and that his signal was very strong long path in W4-land. The operator's name is "Dragan" and he uses a bug. QSL via direct to Box 60349, Addis Ababa (or as he spells it Adis Ababa).

KH1, HOWLAND ISLAND (UPDATE). A fax was received, from Waikiki Terrace Hotel in Honolulu, Hawaii (18 Jan.), by Mike McGirr (K9AJ), stating: "the team has assembled here and are eager to get started. We fly tomorrow (19 Jan.) to meet the boat "Machias" at Christmas Island...... The call sign we plan to use during our operation from Howland Is. is AH1A. Aloha, Mike K9AJ/KH6." John (K1ER) informs OPDX, that there are "pilot stations" assigned to help assist the DXpedition. Their job is to provided the DXpedition team with information as to how well they are being heard and whether they need to change anything (e.g. times, bands). The European pilot station is Mark (ON4WW) and the U.S. pilot stations are K1ER, K0AB and WY0J (all located in Denver, C0). John also reported that as of January 23rd, the KH1 team has passed the half way point from T32 to KH1 (570 of the 1140 miles). They may arrive at KH1 on the 25th of January. The team reports that the WX is perfect with calm seas and clear skies.

KH6, HAWAIIAN ISLANDS. Ron (N9KWW/KH6) states he operates on 10 meters daily from 2200 to 0100z. He operates from the USS Willamette AO-180, an active duty NAVY ship (with permission from his Commanding Officer). So, if anyone needs KH6 or Pearl Harbor confirmed look for Ron on 28365 kHz +/- QRM. QSL with an SASE to NH6ZB. Ron plans to operate from many overseas ports as he gets permission from the host countries. Travels include Hong Kong, Singapore and others.

L1DSR, BERMEJO ISLAND (IOTA SA-021). The Radio Club Del Sur plans a DXpedition to Bermejo Island, which is situated 20 miles south from Bahia Blanca City. This island is actually deserted and it will be the first time that amateur radio will be operated there. L1DSR will take place April 2nd thru 4th, using CW/SSb. Suggested frequencies: 3690, 7090, 14190, 21290, 28590 and 50110. QSL information was not mentioned, but the address for Radio Club Del Sur is: P.O. Box 265, Mar Del Plata, 7600 Argentina.

S0, WESTERN SAHARA. There is no activity from here at this moment, but S01A and S0RASD plan to be active February 24th thru March 6th. A special 6 meter operation is planned on 50.110 MHz and also check the usual DX

windows on other bands. QSL via EA2JG.

SU, EGYPT. SU1ER has been known to show up on the 14226 DX net starting around 1530z. SU1SR has also been heard on CW around 14025 kHz between 1600 to 1730z.

TT, CHAD. Ken (WA40B0), expects to return to TT8 around March 15, and he hopes he will have more opportunity to work from there than last trip. Meanwhile, Ken has announced on the INDEXA Net, that all cards received so far (approx. 650) for TT80B0 will be going out next Friday, January 29.

V73, MARSHALL ISLANDS. Richard (V73I0) will be in the Marshall Islands until January 29th. He has been heard on 18127 kHz between 2030 to 2200z, 24940 kHz around 2210z and 3797 kHz around 1015z. Also, try the Pacific Inter Island Net on 14315 kHz at 0800z, 28495, 21395, and above 14225 kHz. It has been reported he has 40 meter capabilites. Richard plans to visit Kwajalein, Bikini Atoll and Majuro. QSL via AH6I0.

VR6, PITCAIRN ISLAND. Raelene Christain (VR6RC) is active on 28310 kHz, SSB around 0000-0130z. She is 18 years old, new to HF, and seems to prefer 10 meters. Her recently issued General license allows her to use all HF bands. QSL to P.O. Box 1, Pitcairn Island, South Pacific via New Zealand. (The ship that brings in mail only comes 4 times a year, so be prepared for a long wait. Also, note that the generator for the island does not run 24 hours a day, so operation times might be erratic.)

ZK1, NORTH COOK ISLANDS. The "DX-News Letter" mentions that there should be a new operator, ZK1DT, on Penrhyn Island (OC-082) until 1996. There has not been any QSNs reported yet.

SARA (OM) QSL BUREAU. Harry, OM3EA, informs OPDX that the Slovak QSL Bureau mentioned in last week's bulletin is an independent one run by Pavel (OK3IA). The Central Radio Club of Czechoslovakia (CCRC), a member of the IARU, was divided into the Czech Radio Club (CRC) and the Slovak Amateur Radio Association (SARA). Both organizations have their IARU membership applications at the Region I HQ. SARA took over the Slovak part of the QSL Bureau from Prague to Bratislava and the addresses is: SARA (OM) QSL Bureau, Post Box 1, Bratislava 5, Slovakia.

FAX YOUR DX INFORMATION NOW! This is just in the testing stage, but faxing will be available Monday/Wednesday/Friday from 0430 to 2030z only. The number is 216-237-2816 and operates only Class 2 Fax. Use only the dates and times specified because this is not a dedicated line.

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